

GULFSTREAM ANALYSIS



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BEST BET: RACE 1, SHIP DISTURBER

FIRST RACE

SHIP DISTURBER, the day's best, won 50 per cent of his starts a year ago and dropping to another winning spot after being overmatched in his first two local tries. Will likely have to catch **GENTRIFY** GENTRIFY who also gets some needed class relief and likely to take this field a long way on the front end if he leaves clean from the fence. **CHISELED** somewhat of a question mark on the drop himself off a couple of dull showings vs better.

SECOND RACE

MONTEREY MARIANNE has been idle since suffering through a brutal trip making turf bow here in April. Recent works have been above average for this category and like the face Jose Ortiz taking the call. **LOVE FOR OVIE** flashed a little early gas after eventful beginning in only previous try and another coming off a long freshening and a promising work of her own on 12/22 when showing big speed from the outset. Might steal this one at a price if taking to the lawn. **UNTRUTHFUL SONNET** a pretty consistent sort from a Beyer standpoint turf and dirt for very high percentage barn. Lures Irad for the assignment. Take a Strollfigures prominent throughout.

THIRD RACE

DREAM SATURDAY worked like a stakes horse prior to the Jewel but did not get the best of trips when sandwiched between horses early from tough post. Deserves another look vs. same kind especially with major rider and post position switch today. **FLASHY JEWEL** strictly the one to beat at his best off solid second place effort, also from a compromising post draw, in the Jewel. **AZTEC SENSE** finished strong despite troubled break, wide trip against grain of track in the Rapid Transit, should be coming best at the end.

FOURTH RACE

FEED ME CARATS comes off game effort defeating class dropping Rain in Spain in her local bow and eligible to handle the hike to N3L company off that try. **BOSSYATTA** continues to hold her form well at this level, one to fear. **CUNNINGHAM CREEK** continues to run into trouble in all recent starts, fits with this kind and capable of springing upset if somehow able to work out a clean trip for a change.

FIFTH RACE

BANNON broke a bit slow, failed to impact when launching career vs. better than he faces in local bow and barn has already won with similar class dropping maidens at the meet. Wasn't bad in lone local breeze. **GRAN FORTRESS** stays put off the claim after gate second vs. same kind trying a mile for the first time in 2yo finale. May prove one to catch. **BULLROARER** made a mid-bid, flattened out late trying same caliber here last month. Logical with expected improvement.

SIXTH RACE

DIAMOND MINT in peak form at the present time, might handle the slight hike, reverse previous setback at hands of likely favorite **TU EXAGERES** with another forward move. The latter parlayed absolutely perfect trip into popular N2L win for same tag, hard to ignore wheeling back for similar price. **ZEUS ODIN** getting a mulligan for last when not breaking cleanly then steadied along some in traffic. At his best when in front, can make amends if breaking clean to the lead today.

SEVENTH RACE

DINO DUDE returns to the main track, level at which he finished game second two back. Figures forwardly placed throughout. **SUMNER** another Pletcher dropper who finished last after contesting slow early pace against average looking group on the turf here last month. Saez takes return call. Must respect with these. **SOMEDREAM-SCOMETRUE** one of several speed types in this lineup and whose best efforts to take have come on dirt.

EIGHTH RACE

INDYGITA could be a bit of a sleeper facing field of limited winners after taking on much better, open and starter company in N Y prior to shipping south for winter. Re-unites with Saez who guided her to open \$25K win vs. better last summer at Belmont. **ULTIMATE CAUSE** the logical choice off the claim and a career best Beyer in N Y finale when beaten by in form War Canoe, who returned to finished second in N1X allow. company at next asking. **BLAME IT ON DIXIE** missed a neck vs high priced N2L's in 3yo finale and another coming off career topper from a Beyer standpoint.

NINTH RACE

DELTA BLUESMAN obviously a major question mark showing up tagged off a five month layoff. Seems to be working forwardly enough for return, should assert class edge, lead these a merry chase if away running from outside. **TIGER BLOOD** another returning for a tag off a layoff and series of stakes tries earlier in the year. Has looked good in recent a.m. trials. **ABOUNDING LEGACY** a horse for the course who always seems to show up with this kind and even better although perhaps better suited to seven furlongs than six.

TENTH RACE

A ton of pace in the finale although really like the way **ERRE ERRE** sprinted clear from tough post and improved stretching to a mile for turf bow. Gets shaky nod if able to avoid early conflict with several of the other speed types in here. **CAPO DEI CAPI** faced far and away a tougher bunch when trying turf for the first time in his 3yo finale but should appreciate the requisite class relief showing up for this tag. **BAKELITE** logical on the drop off improved try in local bow.